



# SNUNEYMUXW

## SNUNEYMUXW DAYS

Our first annual Snuneymuxw Days further enhances our Watersports weekend, with war canoe races alongside kids activities, lacrosse camp, small business and makers marketplace, and the first basketball tournament held on our new court at Needham and Centre Street. The next Snuneymuxw Days will take place July 26-28, 2024.



## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

"We continue on a path alongside BC Housing. Our primary focus is on ensuring affordable housing options are available for our people, so we can welcome more Snuneymuxw home and thrive here together as the Ancestors intended." - *Chief Mike Wyse. Pictured with Premier of B.C., David Eby.*





# UPDATES

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

At this moment, we are actively working towards a significant milestone: 300+ off-reserve units by the year 2028. This housing responds to the different needs of our community, throughout 7+ properties.

By following the path laid out by our Ancestors, we are reclaiming and restoring Snuneymuxw's presence throughout our territory. This brings deep healing to our Nation and breathes new life into our way of being.

We encourage our Snuneymuxw People to register with the BC Housing Registry online and learn more about affordable housing opportunities.

NEED HELP REGISTERING? Please contact BC Housing Assistance | Phone: 604-433-2218 or 1-800-257-7756

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[Services > Community Housing @ SNUNEYMUXW.CA](#)

## ATTEND CHIEF & COUNCIL MEETINGS ONLINE

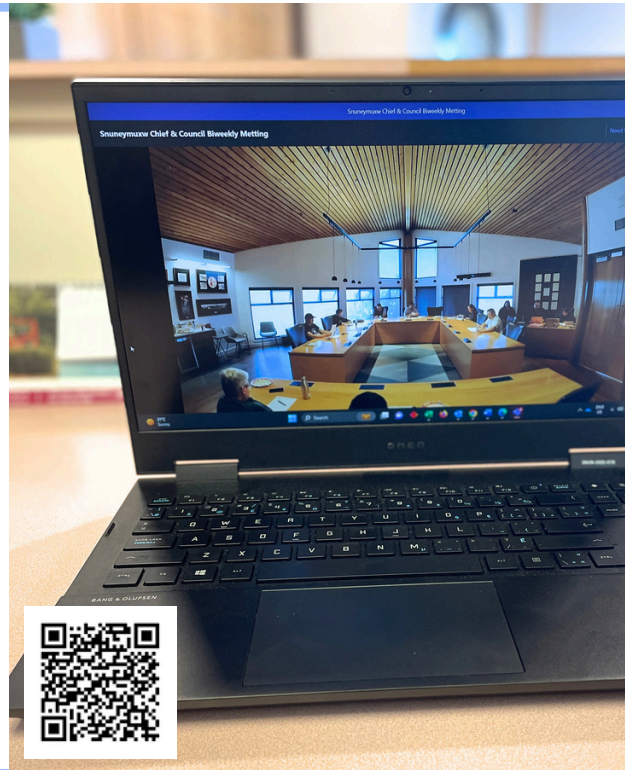
The move to make Chief and Council meetings available for live viewing online is an important step that enhances community engagement, transparency, and accountability.

A central attendees list will be maintained by our SFN Clerk. This list confirms Snuneymuxw members and public guests for each meeting.

Learn more and register to view our next Chief and Council meeting here: [Snuneymuxw.ca/governance](https://snuneymuxw.ca/governance)

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# TRANSFER OF HISTORICAL LANDS

Snuneymuxw First Nation and Seacliff Properties announced the formal transfer of 102 acres of land, including the ancient village site, kwula'xw, to the Snuneymuxw People as part of Recognition, Cooperation and Mutual Benefit Agreement.

This is the first step in honouring our Agreement, which will see an additional 25 acres transferred to Snuneymuxw upon the successful rezoning of the property, along with an option to purchase an additional 150 acres.

Re-building the SFN land base preserved and protected under the Snuneymuxw Treaty of 1854, honours the solemn confirmations and promises that were made over 165 years ago. Our partnership with Seacliff Properties is another step forward on the road to reconciliation with the private sector and will help our Nation fulfill our economic potential.

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May 18, 2023 @ [twitter.com/Snuneymuxw](https://twitter.com/Snuneymuxw)

## QWAM QWUM STUWIXWULH

For the last 4 years, our elementary school, co-governed with Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools District, has been an example of how we can nurture the whole child and prepare them for the future.

The Snuneymuxw way of being recognizes that we are all connected, and therefore we built QQS for all students, knowing that all children living on these great lands can benefit from Snuneymuxw care and knowledge.

We welcomed 120 students this year; our enrolment has grown each year since we opened. Our long-term objective is to transition QQS into a hul'q'umi'num' immersion school.

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## REMINDER

Update your address with Snuneymuxw First Nation. If you recently moved and think your address is out of date, please complete the SFN Personal Information Form online or email us for help.

[snuneymuxw.ca/membership](https://snuneymuxw.ca/membership)  
[vanessaw@snuneymuxw.ca](mailto:vanessaw@snuneymuxw.ca)





## Courtyard by Marriott Nanaimo

Snuneymuxw First Nation and PEG Companies celebrate six months of operations of Courtyard by Marriott Nanaimo, our 172-room hotel that positions Snuneymuxw for further growth and honours Snuneymuxw art and culture.

As the majority owner of the hotel, we celebrate the opportunity to share our culture with visitors from all over the world while supporting the economic growth of our Nation.

The hotel has the benefit of being located where the beloved, and now extinct, Wool Dogs were cared for by our people. In recognition of this, the hotel has integrated site-specific Snuneymuxw art throughout its design, including in its guest rooms and public spaces. Ay Lelum The Good House of Design was selected for the project and worked in conjunction with the PEG and Marriot team.

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[www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

## TAP

TAP, a five-week educational initiative held at the SFN Learning Academy, aimed to provide participants with valuable exposure to the trades industry. This program offered hands-on experience and training in welding, pipe fitting, and electrical trades. It served as a steppingstone for these individuals to pursue careers in these fields.

Participants received firsthand practice and learned about the requirements and training involved in apprenticeships to become Red Seal professionals.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Alfred (Alfie) Fraser, Dustin Miller, Augustine (Austin) Pointe, Shawn McKay, and Lucas Dennis for their dedication and commitment throughout the program.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Hullo Ferries works in partnership with SFN. In our first month of operations we welcomed 23,000+ guests travelling between downtown Vancouver and Nanaimo. The foot-passenger ferry ride takes 70 minutes. [www.hullo.com](http://www.hullo.com)

